

# Brooklyn Public School

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# Principal's Report

I'm not sure how it happened, but here we are at Week participating in the Get Hooked program which helps 7!! We have been busy!

Teachers, students and parents joined together at The Anglers Rest on Thursday evening for the annual Toastmasters Dinner. It was a fantastic night. Many of the students gave speeches to a large audience and they were thoroughly engaging. It is very impressive to see young people speak in front of a crowd. We thank for a special morning tea next Thursday at 11.00am. Mr and Mrs Neary for helping the students to develop their public speaking skills.

On Friday afternoon, we were again treated to the public speaking talents of some our Year 5 students. The students who were campaigning for 2016 leadership positions spoke to the K-6 assembly. What fabulous leaders they would all make! I know that whoever is successful in gaining leadership positions will represent our school brilliantly.

Last Friday we had a visit from the boys at Normanhurst Boys High School. They entertained grades 3-6 with a circus act and also read picture books, which they had composed, to students in kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2. It was such a great morning! What talented young men and what a special treat to be included on their 'school tour'.

The year 5 and 6 students went to visit Bar Island yesterday with Hornsby Council members and Tom Richmond. Everyone had a fantastic day and learned so much about our river history. A big thank you to Catherine Pigneguy for helping us out with the river transport!

This term we will be holding the End Of Term Assembly on Wednesday 2 December and our end of year Presentation Assembly will be on the following Wednesday, 9 December. Parents and friends are welcome to both ceremonies which will begin at 9.30am each morning. The End of Year Concert will be also be on Wednesday 9 December, and will start at 5:30pm.

Notes went home this week about the Special Swimming Scheme. If you have not paid for this program in your Semester 2 Fees Invoice, a note will come home with payment details to return. It is going to be a fabulous two weeks!

Next Tuesday, students will be going fishing with Mr Teunis and Mrs Broome! Some students have been

children to learn all about this fantastic leisure activity. The students are extremely lucky to live in this part of the world and be able to participate in such activities.

We would like to thank all our fabulous school community members who help out during the year by inviting you to a Thank You Morning Tea. Invitations will go out this week

Tonight we are holding a Parent Information Evening at 6pm for all those interested in finding out how education is changing and evolving. It is a good opportunity to increase your awareness of why we do what we do in classrooms and how you can support your child's learning journey. If you will be attending this evening, please let the office staff know for catering purposes.

All for now

Diana Aitken

# Important Dates

Nov 18	Parent Information Evening (6pm)
Nov 24	Fishing (2/3T & 4/5W)
Nov 26	'Thank You' Morning Tea
Nov 30	Swim Scheme (years 2-5)
	Scripture Service
Dec 2	E.O.T.A. (9:30am)
	FAB party /Farewell to Kenny
Dec 9	2015 Presentation Assembly (9:30am)
	Concert (5:30pm)
Dec 10	Year 6 Graduation—Anglers Rest (6pm)
Dec 11	The Big GIG—CAP concert (6:15pm)
Dec 14	C.A.R.E.S. (year 5/6)
Dec 16	Last Day Of Term 4
Dec 20	Christmas Carols @ Mooney Chapel
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Jan 28	Years 1-6 return to school
Feb 1	Kindergarten start

#### **Bar Island**



On the 17<sup>th</sup> of November grade 5/6 went on a trip to Bar Island. When we arrived we were placed into special groups, in those groups we learnt about the island and we picked up some rubbish. An elderly man called Tom told us about Bar Island's church and graveyard. We also picked up some interesting seeds, leaves and feathers. Tom also told us about a poem by Henry Kendall, it was very sweet and sincere. At the end of the day Bar Island was so much fun and I'm sure whoever goes there will be happy with the experience. Kayla Huang

Grade 5

On behalf of Brooklyn Public School, we would like to thank The Riverboat Postman, Hornsby Council and the community volunteers who organised an amazing experience for the students.

## NOTES

Keep abreast of all the school activities by referring to the IMPORTANT **DATES** section on the front of the newsletter. If you need to know more information or

require copies of notes, then have a quick look on the website or feel free to phone the office.

#### **MUFTI DAY TERM 3**

Last term the children collected money for Mufti Day.

\$137.50 was raised and this enable the children to buy a toilet, a goat, a vegetable garden and two chickens for people in developing nations





F.A.B. END OF YEAR PARTY & KENNY'S FAREWELL (DEC 2) MOONEY CHRISTMAS CAROLS (DEC 20)



Hi FAB-ites and FAB Parents

Just a quick reminder that the FAB end of year party is approaching fast. It is also the very last day that Kenny will be with us. He has come to help out EVERY FAB Wednesday for the last 8 years. It would be good if your child/ren could write a thank you card to give him on the day.

We will also be starting our rehearsals for the Nativity Play soon. It is exciting as a lot of children have asked to be in it. Could you please mark the date in your calendar and tell me if your child is able to participate either in the play or in the music ensembles on December 20 at Mooney Mooney Chapel.

Kind regards, Annette 0408 659 575

### BROOKLYN KU MOBILE 1 PRESCHOOL

As most of you are aware, KU Mobile 1 Preschool is finishing up in Baden Powell Hall in Brooklyn at the end of the year.

Many little people in our community look back fondly on their preschool years at KU and the time they spent with the fabulous Rob Sharpe.

The End of Year Concert is on Thursday December 10th. From 1.30 - 4.00. An invite is extended to all ex-families and children and community members to join in and say farewell.

There will be a jumping castle until 4pm and airbrush tattooing. No doubt there will be some tears as well from Rob. If are you able to come we would love to see you on Thursday 10th December. In true Rob, style feel free to dress in tutus or as a superhero!

If you'd like to contribute \$5-\$10 for a gift for Rob, there is a collection box in the Brooklyn Public School office. We are thinking of getting him an artwork from a local artist.

For further details please contact Sarah Green on 0420 659 964 or Kate Glenn on 0433143093

#### **BUY A GOAT, A CHICKEN, A WELL**

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Every gift you buy from TEAR's Useful Gifts represents a contribution to a longterm development project, helping people gain the skills and resources they need to address local problems and come up with sustainable solutions. It's the original way to buy a goat and other poverty-fighting gifts!

See Annette if you want to buy some as Christmas Gift Cards for those who have everything !



